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these new aids to Bible study are bound up with the Revised Version, to which shall be added a good system of marginal references and a modern chronology, we shall be happy indeed. C. W. V.

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**The Gospel in Brief.** Harmonized and translated by COUNT L. N. TOLSTOI. Authorized edition. New York and Boston: T. Y. Crowell & Co. One vol., 12mo, pp. 221; cloth, \$1.25.

For some years past Count Tolstoi has been engaged in preparing a work consisting of four parts: an account of that course of his personal life and his thoughts which led him to believe that the truth lies in the Christian teaching; an investigation of the Christian teaching according to the various churches; an investigation of the Christian teaching based on words and deeds ascribed to Christ by the four gospels; and an exposition of the real meaning of the Christian teaching, of the motives for its persuasions, and of the consequences to which it should lead.

Count Tolstoi was persuaded to make a condensation of the fourth part of his work, and in that he fuses the four gospels into one, omitting all passages relating to the life of John the Baptist, Christ's birth and genealogy, his miracles, his resurrection, and the references to prophecies fulfilled in his life. Thus pruned, the account of Christ's teaching is, according to Count Tolstoi, the most conventional presentment of metaphysics and morals, the purest and most complete doctrine of life, and the highest light which the human mind has ever reached; a doctrine from which all the noblest activities of humanity in politics, science, poetry and philosophy are instinctively derived. One hundred and thirty-three pages are devoted to a plain translation into modern language of the original Greek, following Count Tolstoi's own harmonization. C.

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**Tabellen zur neutestamentlichen Zeitgeschichte.** By LIC. THEOL. WILHELM VOLLERT. Leipzig: Deichert. 1897. 8vo, pp 55. Price M. 1.40.

This little work is an introduction to the study of New Testament literature, prepared on a different plan from other works of the sort. In a table which has four columns and extends across both facing